

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLANS



4825 San Leandro Street, Oakland, California

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is requesting public comment on the draft Removal Action Workplans (draft RAWs) for the 4825 San Leandro Street site (site) located in Oakland, California. The site consists of two parcels – Parcels 1 and 2 - each of which is about one acre in size.

Since 1990, there have been a number of environmental investigations conducted at the site. These investigations indicate that some areas of soil contain elevated levels of lead and arsenic. Groundwater beneath the site remains unaffected.

The draft RAWs evaluate various methods to clean up site soils and propose a preferred alternative for each parcel. The preferred alternative for Parcel 1 recommends the repair and maintenance of the existing asphalt paving. The preferred alternative for Parcel 2 recommends the construction of an impervious asphalt or concrete cap. These actions will prevent contact with underlying soils that contain lead and arsenic. As provided for in state and federal law, DTSC is also proposing two Notice of Exemptions for the parcels under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Information Repositories: Copies of the draft RAWs, the CEQA documents, and other related technical reports are available for public review at the information repositories listed below.

Melrose Branch
Oakland Public Library
4805 Foothill Blvd.
Oakland, CA 94601
(510) 535-5623
Call for hours

DTSC – Berkeley Office
700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200
Berkeley, CA 94710
(510) 540-3800
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Call for an appointment

The public is invited to comment on the draft RAWs during a 30-day public comment period which begins on October 25, 2003 and ends on November 24, 2003. All public comments will be carefully considered in making the final decision for the site. Written comments must be postmarked by November 24, 2003. Mail comments to:

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If you would like to discuss this project with a DTSC representative, please call Jesus Cruz at (510) 540-3933, or Jacinto Soto, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3842. For media questions, please call Angela Blanchette, DTSC Public Information Officer, at (510) 540-3732.